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TO: LARRY EAGLEBURGER FOR THE SECRETARY. DELIVER AT OPENING OF BUSINESS.

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HENRY A. KISSINGER

FROM:

BRENT SCOWCROFT

EXCEPT FOR A VERY SHORT DISCUSSION OF THE NEW COUNSEL FOR THE IMPEACHMENT PROCEEDINGS OF THE HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE -- WHO WAS PORTRAYED IN GENERALLY FAVORABLE TERMS -- THE ENTIRE WHITE HOUSE STAFF MEETING WAS DEVOTED TO A DISCUSSION OF THE EMERGENCY ENERGY BILL WHICH HAD COME OUT OF CONFERENCE ON THURSDAY. IT HAD A NUMBER OF BAD FEATURES IN IT AND THE DISCUSSION CENTERED ON THE EXTENT TO WHICH IT COULD BE CLEARED UP AND WHETHER OR NOT IT COULD BE VETOED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES. AS USUAL NO DECISION WAS REACHED. (AS IT TURNED OUT, THE SENATE MADE ENOUGH REVISIONS IN THE CONFERENCE REPORT TO MAKE THE BILL ACCEPTABLE, PASSED IT, SENT IT TO THE HOUSE AND ADJOURNED. AT LAST REPORT, THE HOUSE WAS STILL STRUGGLING WITH IT.)

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WHILE ALL WEEK THERE HAS BEEN DISCUSSION IN STAFF MEETINGS OF DISCLOSURES WHICH WERE TO TAKE PLACE TODAY, THE "WHITE PAPERS" WERE NOT RELEASED. THIS WAS APPARENTLY RON ZIEGLER'S BIG PROJECT BUT THE PAPERS SEEMED NOT TO HAVE BEEN IN ACCEPTABLE CONDITIONS WHEN THEY WERE PRODUCED LAST NIGHT.

AS I TOLD YOU ON THE PHONE, YOUR CONFERENCE SPEECH WAS REALLY EXCELLENT. YOU SHOULD ALSO KNOW THAT YOUR ARRIVAL REMARKS PRODUCED A WARM GLOW ALL AROUND HERE.

ON-FILE NSC RELEASE INSTRUCTIONS APPLY

DINITZ HAS RETURNED AND IS REQUESTING TO SEE YOU EITHER SUNDAY.

SIMON AND SCHLESINGER ARE NOW HAVING A GREAT FIGHT IN THE PRESS. SIMON BEGAN BY GOING PUBLIC WITH STATEMENTS THAT DEFENSE WOULD

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HAVE TO HELP THE U.S. INTERNATIONAL CIVILIAN AIRLINES WITH FUEL AND THAT IT MIGHT BE NECESSARY TO CUT WAR RESERVES OF FUEL TO 95 PERCENT. SCHLESINGER WAS FURIOUS AT THE LACK OF CONSULTATION AND JERRY FREIDHEIM IN HIS PRESS BRIEFING THIS MORNING IN ESSENCE SAID THAT THE SIMON'S GROUP HAD THEIR DATA ALL WRONG. ENERGY HAS BEEN A COMPLETE DISASTER AREA AROUND HERE FOR THE LAST COUPLE OF DAYS.

THE PRESIDENT HAD A PRIVATE DAY TODAY. HAIG SPENT ALOT OF TIME WITH HIM DISCUSSING THE "WHITE PAPERS" AND THE ENERGY PROBLEM. THERE NOW SEEMS TO BE SOME SLIGHT QUESTION ABOUT THE PRESIDENT GOING TO FLORIDA, ALTHOUGH THE INDICATIONS STILL ARE THAT HE WILL GO.

WARM REGARDS.

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